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SUBJECT: US-USSR S&T AGREEMENT: FIFTH JOINT COMMISSION MEETING

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1. AYKAZYAN AND SCICOUNS MET JANUARY 4 TO DISCUSS ITINERARY AND AGENDA FOR JOINT COMMISSION MEETING. AYKAZYAN STATED SUGGESTED ITINERARY TRANSMITTED REF A IS GENERALLY SATISFACTORY, BUT HAD THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS.

(A) KIRILLIN VISITED THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS DURING 1974 U.S. VISIT AND WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING ANOTHER SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTION SUBSTITUTED FOR THE NBS THIS TRIP. AYKAZYAN SUGGESTED AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO NBS THE CDC CYBERNET TIME-SHARING DATA CENTER IN WASHINGTON. HE STATED RAMEYEV (01.01 WORKING GROUP CHAIRMAN) HAD DISCUSSED POSSIBLE KIRILLIN VISIT

TO WASHINGTON CYBERNET WITH CDC VICE PRESIDENT SCHMIDT, AND THAT SCHMIDT INDICATED A VISIT COULD BE ARRANGED AT ANY TIME.

(B) WHAT ACTIVITIES AT GODDARD SPACE FLIGHT CENTER COULD KIRILLIN SEE? PLEASE ADVISE.

(C) KIRILLIN HAD VISITED SPERRY-UNIVAC IN PHILADELPHIA IN 1974 BUT ANOTHER TRIP TO PHILADELPHIA WOULD BE AGREEABLE TO THE SOVIETS AS LONG AS DIFFERENT SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTES WERE

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TOURED THIS TIME.

(D) THE SCST STAFF HAS BEEN CONSIDERING MOVING DATE OF ARRIVAL TO JANUARY 31 AND PLACE OF ARRIVAL TO NEW YORK WHICH WOULD PERMIT PLENARY COMMISSION MEETING FEBRUARY 1 IF U.S. SIDE AGREES. AYKAZYAN UNDERLINED THAT KIRILLIN HAS NOT BEEN CONSULTED ON THESE SUGGESTED CHANGES BUT EXPECTS CLEARANCE FROM HIM WITHIN SEVERAL DAYS. THE EXTRA DAY COULD THEN BE USED FOR ADDITIONAL

INSTITUTE VISITS. AYKAZYAN SUGGESTED BELL LABORATORIES AT PRINCETON. IF THE DATE OF THE PLENARY COMMISSION MEETING CANNOT BE MOVED FROM FEBRUARY 2, THE VISIT TO BELL LABS OR AN APPROPRIATE ALTERNATIVE IN THE NEW YORK AREA MIGHT TAKE PLACE FEBRUARY 1 BEFORE DELEGATION ARRIVES IN WASHINGTON. PLEASE ADVISE REGARDING AYKAZYAN'S SUGGESTIONS.

2. AYKAZYAN CONFIRMED THAT MFA HAS APPROVED SOVIET SUGGESTION FOR MODIFICATION OF S&T DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON. THE ONLY CHANGE IS THE OMISSION OF REDISIGNATIONS OF EXECUTIVE AGENTS BY BOTH SIDES (PARA 1, ARTICLE 7-6, 76 STATE 272748) WHICH MFA LAWYERS DO NOT BELIEVE NECESSARY. AYKAZYAN SAID THE SOVIETS WILL PROPOSE THE EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF THE S&T AGREEMENT AT THE JOINT COMMISSION MEETING, NOTING THAT IN HIS DISCUSSION WITH GLENLEY IT WAS STATED THE MOTION FOR RENEWAL WOULD BEST COME FROM THE SOVIET SIDE. AYKAZYAN STATED THAT HE THOUGHT IT ADVISABLE TO HAVE THE RENEWAL OF THE S&T AGREEMENT LISTED AS A SEPARATE ITEM ON THE JOINT COMMISSION AGENDA, ADDING THAT IN THE SOVIET DRAFT OF THE AGENDA DISCUSSED WITH ROOT SUCH AN ITEM WAS INCLUDED.

3. IN RESPONSE TO SCICOUNS REMARK THAT THE U.S. SIDE PROBABLY WOULD NOT BE IN A POSITION TO AGREE TO AMENDMENTS TO THE S&T AGREEMENT DURING JOINT COMMISSION MEETING, AYKAZYAN STATED THE SOVIET SIDE UNDERSTANDS THIS PERFECTLY WELL. HE SAID THE SOVIETS WOULD AGREE TO AN EXTENSION WITHOUT AMENDMENTS WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE U.S. SIDE WOULD STUDY THE SOVIET PROPOSALS AND THAT AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT MIGHT BE MADE FOLLOWING RENEWAL IN MAY 1977, POSSIBLY THROUGH EXCHANGE OF CORRESPONDENCE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BETWEEN STEVER AND KIRILLIN.

4. AYKAZYAN SAID THE MFA AND SCST HAVE EXAMINED THE MANNER IN WHICH THE S&T AGREEMENT MIGHT BE RENEWED AND ARE AGREEABLE TO EITHER RENEWAL THROUGH EXCHANGE OF LETTERS BETWEEN STEVER AND KIRILLIN OR TO A SIGNING OF PROTOCOLS SIMULTANEOUSLY IN WASHINGTON BY SOVIET AMBASSADOR AND STEVER AND IN MOSCOW BY U.S. AMBASSADOR AND KIRILLIN. AYKAZYAN COMMENTED THAT THE SOVIETS WOULD PREFER RENEWAL THROUGH SIGNING OF PROTOCOLS AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THE POLITICAL CLIMATE WOULD BE SUCH AS TO PERMIT THIS MORE PUBLIC TYPE OF CEREMONY TO TAKE PLACE NEXT MAY. TOON

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